Forest Land- Amravati.

Black topping of Paratwada-Chikhaldara-Ghatang road joining Chikhaldara tourist place SH-305 & MDR-8 through forest land in village Chikhaldara & Motha Fata Sakhali, Dist. Amravati.

(Chainage- km 24/00 to km 30/00)

Government of Maharashtra Revenue and Forest Department Government Order No.: FLD-2020/CR-61/F-10 Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032 Date: 19.10.2020

Reference:

- 1) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra Circular No. FLD-2019/C.R.76/F-10, dt.03.05.2019.
- 2) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur Letter No.Desk-17/NC/I/C.R.03/1878/2019-20, dt.13.02.2020.

Preamble:

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted a proposal for granting permission for **black topping of existing road** and as per requirement for **repairing of safety wall** (under Hybrid Annuity AM-24 C) of Paratwada-Chikhaldara-Ghatang road joining Chikhaldara tourist place SH-305 & MDR-8 through forest land in village Chikhaldara & Motha Fata Sakhali (km 24/00 to km 30/00) of Amravati District, which is received from the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Achalpur. After careful consideration and scrutiny of the proposal, the Government is pleased to approve to the proposal.

Government Order:

As per Survey of India toposheet and as certified by the Divisional Forest Officer, Melghat Wildlife Division, Paratwada, road under reference is existing prior to 1980, hence in exercise of powers delegated to the State Government, vide MoEF&CC, Government of India's Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 [Chapter-11, Para-11.6], Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant approval only for black topping of existing Paratwada-Chikhaldara-Ghatang road joining Chikhaldara tourist place SH-305 & MDR-8 through forest land in village Chikhaldara & Motha Fata Sakhali (chainage-km 24/00 to km 30/00).

- 2. This approval is subject to the following conditions:
 - i) Bitumen cold mix for black topping should be prepared outside the forest or at a site approved by the Divisional Forest Officer, Melghat Wildlife Division, Paratwada.
 - ii) The execution of the work shall be restricted within width of existing 5.50 / 3.75 meter only & shoulder 2.0 / 3.75 meter and as per the undertaking submitted by User Agency.

- iii) No tree felling shall be done.
- iv) No widening of roads should be undertaken without prior permission of the Central Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- v) The User shall maintain the curves of the roads, inside the forest, and will not straighten the same.
- vi) The User Agency shall install speed breakers and speed control signage at regular intervals to avoid accident with wild animals.
- vii) No breaking of fresh forest land shall be carried out.
- viii) While black-topping, adequate precaution should be taken by the user agency to avoid any damage to flora and fauna.
- ix) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- x) No work shall be allowed after sunset.
- xi) Any damage to forest area due to such up-gradation works shall be compensated by the User Agency. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- xii) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for execution of the project work.
- xiii) The Divisional Forest Officer, Melghat Wildlife Division, Paratwada shall take appropriate action as per para 1.21 of the handbook issued by the MoEF&CC vide in letter dated 28/03/2019, if required.
- xiv) The User Agency shall try to maintain the road surface as rough as possible to act as regular speed governor.
- xv) The User Agency shall provide side drains for proper drainage.
- xvi) The User Agency shall carry out black topping of existing road width only after technical approval to the work by the Competent Authority.
- xvii) Any other conditions stipulated by Government time to time will be binding to User Agency.
- xviii) Provisions of all Acts, Rules made there under and guidelines applicable to the project shall have to be strictly followed.

This Government Order is available at the website <u>www.maharashtra.gov.in</u> with reference No. 202010191425416919. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

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